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E.O. 12065: GDS 12/20/85 (SHLAUDEMAN, HARRY W.) OR-M
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SUBJECT: MAJOR GUARDIA CIVIL NARCOTICS SEIZURE

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1. (U) I SHALL BE PLEASED TO PASS ALONG YOUR CONGRATULATIONS TO HUMBERTO PASSANO NIETO, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE GUARDIA CIVIL.

2. (C) YOU WILL HAVE SEEN BY THIS TIME OUR REPORT (REF B) OF "OPERATION IMPACT" IN WHICH THE GUARDIA CIVIL PLAYED A CENTRAL ROLE. WE HAVE ALSO FORWARDED TO INM A MEMORANDUM OF THE CONVERSATION THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR AND I HAD WITH GENERAL PASSANO WITH RESPECT TO THIS OPERATION AND ITS FUTURE REPERCUSSIONS. WE ARE OPTIMIS
TIC THAT AS A RESULT OF THE
IMPACT EXERCISE, THE GUARDIA WILL FORM A PERMANENT MOBILE RURAL UNIT TO BE EMPLOYED WITH THE COCOA-GROWING REGIONS. I HAVE BEEN OF THE VIEW FROM THE OUTSET HERE THAT ACTION TO DISRUPT THE TRADE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE AT THE SOURCE OF SUPPLY SHOULD BE THE MOST EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT STRATEGY AVAILABLE. THE GUARDIA'S INCREASING INTEREST IN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT AND IN COOPERATING WITH US IS MOST ENCOURAGING IN THAT CONTEXT.
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